

138 killed in first 24 hours of new Lebanese cease-fire

BEIRUT — Fighting continued through the first 24 hours of Lebanon's latest cease-fire yesterday and politicians found themselves in the same vicious circle that has prevented settlement of the civil war for 11 months.

Police reported 138 persons killed in Beirut and outlying areas since the 10-day truce went into effect at noon on Friday.

As in the past 26 cease-fires, each side blamed the other for the continued warfare.

Late last night, the Christian Phalangist radio claimed that "Syrian troops" and elements of the Syrian-backed e-Saika terrorist organization took up positions in various areas of western Beirut. The radio did not elaborate. West Beirut districts are under the control of leftists.

"We are almost observing cease-fire, shooting only if shot upon," said a spokesman for the right-wing Christian Phalangist party. "The others are breaking it. Sniper bullets are falling around me as I am speaking to you," he said over the telephone from one of the front lines in Beirut.

An official of the left-wing Nasrallah Ambushers militia said his side, too, was firing only if fired on.

A political battle began shaping up over who would be the country's next president (see plenty of candidates, page 4).

The state-run radio hoped the 10-day period set for electing a successor to Frangieh would be enough for the forces which committed massacres and crimes and for all citizens to examine their conscience.

Former Lebanese premier Saeb Salam had talks in Damascus yesterday with Syrian President Hafez al-Assad.

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Lebanese leftist leader Kamal Jumblatt, left, meets with U.S. special envoy Dean Brown in Beirut on Friday. See editorial, back page. (AP radio photo)

War more likely in 1977-8, Gur says

By YORAM HAMIZRACHI
KIRYAT SHMONAH — The Chief of Staff, Rav-Ahuf Mordecai Gur, said here on Friday that he does not believe there will be a war in 1976. But he added that unless is a political advance towards a peace settlement, the chances for war will increase in the next two years, when the Egyptians will have received large amounts of Western weapons.

Gur was speaking to a group of American businessmen now visiting here. He said that the events in Lebanon are an internal problem and the question of who will rule there is a purely local concern. Israel will not intervene in Lebanon as long as there is no danger to Israel's borders, he said. Israel has not concentrated any forces along the northern frontier.

Referring to the eastern front, Gur revealed that the Arabs have concentrated some 3,700 tanks behind these borders and that together with Egyptian armor, the IDF will have to face more than 7,000 tanks in the event of war. He added that the Arabs have more than 60 operational military aircraft close to the border.

The Chief of Staff emphasized the need for U.S. military assistance and the value of America's role in the diplomatic efforts to reach a settlement. He said that Israel is aware of the Egyptian wish to reach an accord. But he pointed out that a worsening of Soviet-Egyptian relations did not automatically entail a reduced effectiveness by the Egyptian army. Israel had learned from its experience in 1972, when in spite of deteriorating relations with the Soviet Union, Egypt was ready for war a year later. In order to keep an eye on the developments in Arab countries, he stressed, Israel will need the most sophisticated monitoring equipment existing.

The industrialists, from all over the U.S., were the guests of the Chief of Staff in a visit to army bases on the Golan Heights.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Israel placed sixth last night in the Eurovision song contest. The Hagga as the Obsolete-Mentha-Musik trio scored 77 points with their version of "My Shalona," composed by Miki Dori and Eyal Sivan. The voting was by 17 of the 18 participating countries.

First place went to Britain, scoring 104 points for "Save Your Kisses for Me" by the Brotherhood of Man. France was second with 147 points, followed by Monaco with 99 points, Switzerland with 91 and Austria with 88.

IL2b, budget cut considered

By GIDYON ESHET
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A IL2b cut in the Government budget for 1976 which will reduce the balance of payments deficit in 1976 by \$80m and in 1977 by \$250m, is being urged by economist David Klein in a memorandum currently being discussed by the Finance Ministry.

Klein refutes the statement by Ephraim Dovrat, economic advisor to the Finance Minister, that such a cut will increase unemployment by 50,000 this year. Unemployment will increase, Klein writes in his detailed memorandum, only by 3,000 in 1976 and by another 4,000 in 1977.

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As a result for these cuts, prices will increase by one per cent less than predicted this year and by .5 per cent in 1977. The larger decrease in 1977 is a result of the larger unemployment expected that year.

The Gross National Product will increase by less than planned if the proposed cut is executed. However, the decrease will be minimal — only 0.8 per cent in 1976 and 0.3 per cent in 1977. The slower increase in the GNP will not have a negative impact on exports, which are still seen as increasing.

Vorster here this week

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent
South African Prime Minister, John Vorster will be coming to Israel later this week for a four-day visit, government officials confirmed here last night. The officials declined to give the precise dates of the visit, apparently for security reasons. But they confirmed a BBC report that a visit had been agreed upon and would take place shortly.

The officials seemed somewhat hesitant about the diplomatic designation of the visit. It would "have official ingredients," they said — Mr. Vorster would, for instance, meet with Premier Rabin and other top ministers. However, there seemed some doubt among Jerusalem officials as to whether the Vorster trip was actually "an official visit."

South African Embassy sources said it was "for the host country to designate the visit," but they "knew of no question concerning the designation." The implication seemed to be that for South Africa the visit was deemed "official."

Mr. Vorster's visit will coincide with Easter weekend, and some reports referred to the visit as, in part at least, intended as a pilgrimage.

The visit was arranged, it is understood, during South African Interior Minister Connie Mulder's stay here a fortnight ago. Local newspapers were asked not to publish news of it in advance for security reasons.

South Africa and Israel have recently upgraded their representations in each other's country to the level of full embassy — a move which Israel was reluctant to take so long as it was sensitive to reactions from Black African states. Trade ties between the two countries are flourishing, according to government sources here, and the South African Jewish community continues to be one of the most vibrant, Zionist-minded and supportive in the world.

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U.S. House vote on Wednesday New moves planned over transit funds

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON — Israel's supporters in the House of Representatives were planning strategy over the weekend to introduce an amendment to the foreign aid appropriations bill that would include extra transitional funding for Israel this year.

During separate meetings on Friday, Israeli Ambassador Simcha Dimitz asked Secretary of State Kissinger and National Security Council adviser Brent Scowcroft to intercede with President Ford in an effort to ease the Administration's opposition of appropriating the additional transitional funding.

Informed diplomatic sources here said that Dimitz expressed concern that Israel would have increased difficulty in making its economic ends meet this year without the \$550m. it could be eligible to receive in the transitional funding.

Because of Ford's opposition, the transitional aid already approved by the Senate — has been endangered. House members are siding with the President. Late Thursday evening, House conferees voted seven to six not to include the funding, which also includes sums for Egypt, Syria and Jordan.

The bill must now go back to the full House for consideration and another vote, scheduled for Wednesday.

There is concern that even if the full House joins the Senate in passing the proposed amendment — which will be difficult but not impossible — the President might either veto the entire bill and send it back to Congress or merely "impound" the transitional quarter funding.

Dimitz, presumably looking ahead, tried to urge the American officials to convince the President not to do either such thing. It was not clear here whether Dimitz had made any impression because of the President's sharp opposition.

Ford, in a letter to House members, said that the Administration had taken the three-month transition quarter into account before submitting the fiscal year 1976 aid bill, which includes \$2.2b. in economic and military assistance for Israel. He called the extra money unacceptable.

Most political observers here believe that the President would not veto the entire bill if the House votes in favor of the extra aid this week, but the possibility of impounding the funds is being considered.

Administration officials have told Israel that the Administration is fighting the extra funding because of domestic U.S. fiscal reasons, and not out of any opposition to Israel. Kissinger has told Israel that he privately approves of the funding, but was being overruled by the President.

Before the Thursday evening vote, it had been hoped here that the House conferees, who had been meeting with their Senate counterparts to work out a joint version of the bill, would side with the Senate on this issue, and not with the Administration. But Rep. Otto Passman, chairman of the House Foreign Operations subcommittee, decided to go along with Ford, and he actively opposed the funds.

He was fought by Sen. Daniel Inouye, chairman of the Senate Foreign Operations subcommittee, but the House members voted seven to six against the funds.

In addition to the \$550m. for Israel in the transitional quarter, Jordan is slated to receive about \$18m, Egypt about \$174m, and Syria some \$20m.

Originally the Administration had informed Israel that it would not actively oppose the funding and would allocate it if first approved by the Congress. If the Administration had maintained this "neutral" position this week, the fund-

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Sadat shopping for arms in France

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS — Egyptian President Sadat arrived here yesterday on a 48-hour visit during which he hopes to conclude long-term armaments deals with President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing.

Egypt's arms programme figured high on the agenda of talks between the two leaders last night before they were scheduled to dine with the wives at Giscard's official residence.

France has already told Egypt it is ready to sell about 40 Mirage F-1 fighter-bombers and 120 Alphajet ground support aircraft at a total cost of 4.5b. francs (\$1b.). But because of Egypt's pressing financial problems the initial order for Alphajets will probably be limited to 40 aircraft with the remainder on option.

The Avions Marcel Dassault-Breguet aircraft firm, which manufactures both the Mirage F-1 and Alphajet, say they will not consider themselves in possession of a firm order until they receive a cash deposit from Egypt.

A company official said: "We have had too many cases of Arab countries saying they are ordering aircraft, followed by a deadly silence because the funds are not available." Egypt, crippled by foreign debts totalling more than \$8b., is hoping

that Saudi Arabia, which has already delivered 88 Mirage-III fighter-bombers to the Egyptian Air Force, will put up the funds for a massive new deal with France.

But the Saudis are known to be alarmed by Egypt's insolvency. They are also believed to be having second thoughts about using Egypt as the industrial base for developing a Middle East weapons industry which would supply the armed forces of the Arab world.

Another problem is that the Alphajet is built jointly by France and West Germany. During his state visit to the Federal Republic last week Sadat was told that the Bonn government stuck by its policy of not supplying weaponry to "areas of tension," which naturally includes the Middle East.

Although the French aircraft industry is geared to build the Alphajet, which is produced in a trainer version by Dassault, and the West German Dornier Ground support model, it is unlikely that Giscard would risk annoying Chancellor Helmut Schmidt in this manner.

A French go-it-alone decision on Alphajet could harm future co-operation between the aircraft industries of France and West Germany, which build the Airbus airliner together. Such a move would

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Social and Personal

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin was guest of honour last night at a dinner given at Tel Aviv's Paf Hotel for the British Friends of Magen David Adom.

A delegation from the Jewish Colonization Association (JCA) in the U.S. and Britain, led by General David d'Avigdor Goldsmid, on Friday visited an exhibition of sculptures by Maurice Hexter at the Truman Research Institute on the Hebrew University's Mount Scopus campus. During the visit University President Avraham Harman announced that the University is establishing a Barons de Hirsch chair in animal husbandry at its Rehovot Faculty of Agriculture, in honour of the founder of ICA.

A reception was held by Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek at the Israel Museum last week in honour of the participants in the Muscular Dystrophy Symposium held by the ALYN Orthopaedic Hospital and Rehabilitation Centre in Jerusalem.

Justice Harry Batshaw of Montreal, Canada, who received an Honorary Fellowship from the Hebrew University last week, will remain in Israel with Mrs. Batshaw for a prolonged working stay at the Hebrew University Law Faculty.

Singles aged 20-35 of the Association of Religious Anglo-Saxons will meet at 8 p.m. tonight at the B'nai Brith Hall, 5 Rehov Keren Hayesod, Jerusalem.

DEPARTURES

Minister without Portfolio Gideon Hausner, on a fund-raising mission (by El Al) to the U.S. Attorney Naftali Ben-Yehuda of the Civil Aviation Administration's external relations department, for Mexico City via Frankfurt, at the head of an Israel aviation delegation that will discuss the opening of a direct Israel-Mexico air link.

ARRIVALS

Mrs. Faye Schenck, Chairman of the National Hadassah (JGO) Committee, from New York, for Hadassah consultations. Philip Zimman, Chairman of the Israel Education Fund of the U.S.A., the Jewish Agency Board of Governors meeting.

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The funeral took place in Jerusalem on Friday, April 2, 1976

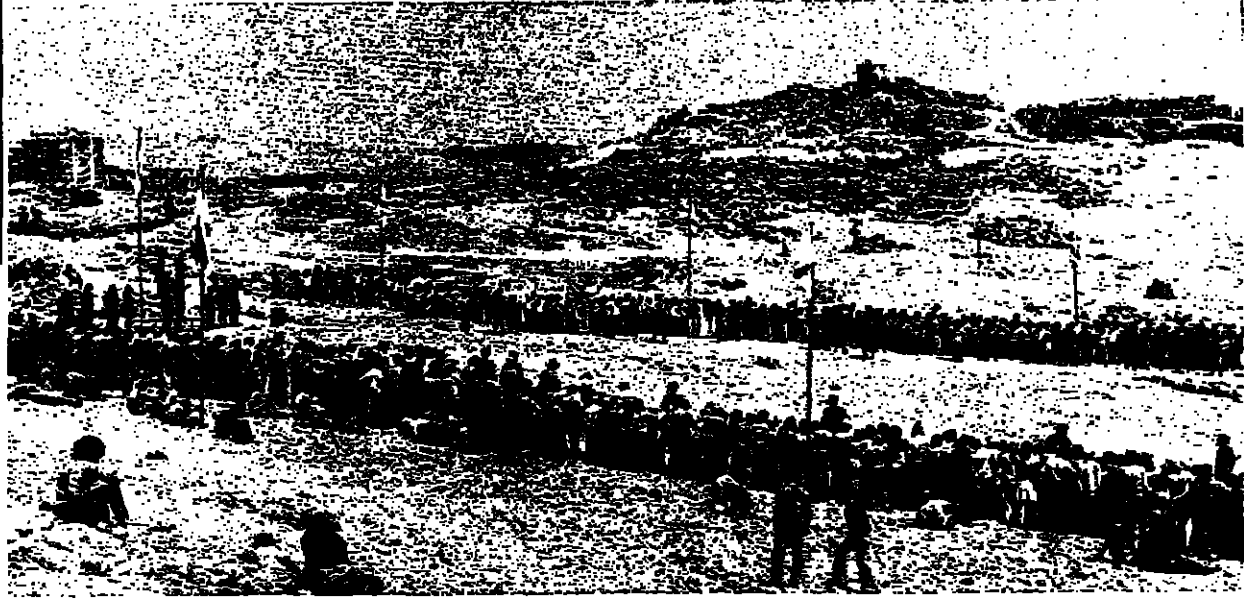
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THE FAMILY



Thousands of Gdina marchers converge on the top of Masada, on the Dead Sea shore, over the weekend. (Lavi - Israel Sun)

Allon pays surprise visit to Galilee friends 'Encourage the loyal Arabs, punish the disloyal elements'

By YOEL DAR Jerusalem Post Reporter

ACRE. — Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Allon said yes on Friday that the loyal majority of Israeli Arabs must be encouraged, and the hostile minority made to feel the full force of the law. He was speaking during a surprise visit to the Galilee villages of Tamra and Saknin, scenes of the greatest violence during Tuesday's Arab strike against the Government's compulsory land-purchase programme in Galilee.

Accompanied only by his former adviser Uri Thon, Mr. Allon dropped in on Tamra Local Council Chairman Zaki Diab — who had called in police on Tuesday after rioters attacked his car. After the two men, who have known each other for many years, embraced and kissed at the entrance to the Council house, Mr. Allon said in Arabic: "I came to visit friends, and just at this time to encourage old companions and to listen to them."

"This isn't an official visit and does not commit the Government," he added.

Diab told his version of the events, which included an attempt by rioters to set his private car on fire and the throwing of stones at the Council offices. This had been an attempt to penalize him for his attitude, he said. But his attitude had been misinterpreted. He too, opposed the taking of land, and asked whether that was the right way.

He said that after the War of Independence, Arabs had remained in their villages for two reasons: they wanted to preserve their homes, villages and lands, and they trusted that they could live in peace with the Jewish people. But the Arab citizen felt he had yet to get the rights he was entitled to.

Mr. Allon called March 30 a

"black day" in relations between Jews and Arabs. The events that had accompanied the strike called for a reassessment of what needed to be done and how to instill in Galilee Arabs the will to keep instigators away.

Accumulated resentment had been exploited by propagandists far from the Middle East, who were interested in recruiting the Arabs in Israel for their own purposes. But two sections of the Arab population should be distinguished. Those loyal to the State — who he thought formed the majority of Israeli Arabs — were entitled to encouragement. The hostile elements would be made to feel the full force of the law.

Talks were needed at Government, party and public levels, he said. There would always be a large Arab minority in Israel; it was a fact of life and on that fact a relationship had to be built that could withstand attempts at incitement. The recent events had upset that relationship and left suspicion. Allon praised the security forces

Toledano: Don't need new policy for Arab minority

Jerusalem Post Staff

The Prime Minister's Adviser on Arab Affairs, Shmuel Toledano, said on Friday that Israel did not need a new policy towards its Arab minority, but should see to it that the country's Arabs felt that "they are entitled to" as first citizens.

Speaking on Israel TV, he added that the role of the Rakah Communist Party in the March 30 rioting in Arab villages had been exaggerated. Labour Minister Moshe Baran, in an Israel Radio interview, said not enough had been done to integrate the new generation of educated Israeli Arabs into the country's life. As long as the international Israel-Arab conflict continued — and he had no solution for it — it would influence Israeli Arabs. But force was not the answer. He also opposed proposals that Rakah

be outlawed, saying the group would be far more dangerous if it went underground.

Police Minister Shlomo Hillel, answering questions of the Knesset Interior Committee, said the rioting had followed a week of incitement centring on Nazareth. That was why police forces had been concentrated there on the day of the strike, and they had indeed prevented violence there. (Five Israeli Arabs were killed during attacks on soldiers and police elsewhere).

Former Chief of Intelligence Aharon Yariv, MK, said the recent events in the Arab sector did not come as a surprise. He told the senior staff of the Histadrut's Hamashbir Lazarkhan store chain that "the issue is to maintain a Jewish majority in Galilee, and the confrontation was inevitable."

Hercules for Egypt

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is domestically impossible for any Israeli government."

Kissinger said that the sale would eventually prove beneficial for both the U.S. and Israeli interests because it would further help Egypt within the pro-American camp, rather than the Soviet camp.

Asked whether Israel had protested the sale, Kissinger said that the word protested "is perhaps the wrong word, but I'm sure that Israel would have preferred that there will be no sale. But we can't make our policy — with all our affection for Israel — we cannot let our policy be determined entirely by our friends in Israel."

The clear implication from Kissinger's remarks was that Israel had made a pro forma complaint over the sale because of political concerns in Israel, and not any real opposition over it.

Diplomatic sources said that the U.S. and Egypt maintained close contacts this past week in Cairo in an effort to work out a statement permitting Kissinger to tell the Congress that Sadat would not seek additional military equipment this year from the U.S.

With this statement approved, President Ford has apparently managed to remove from the political campaign a thorny issue that would have lost him Jewish support if it had been allowed to fester. It now seems that the difficult question of establishing a U.S.-Egyptian military supply relationship will have to wait until next year.

At the end of Friday's hearing,

Javits pressed Kissinger to state flatly that "that's it for this year" regarding military equipment to Egypt. After gulping, Kissinger nodded and said: "yes."

The Kissinger assurance, which the Administration had been unwilling to make only 24 hours before the hearing, was seen here as a victory for the pro-Israel forces. The initial announcement that the U.S. would sell arms to Egypt was met by a strong wave of protest from Congress and the American Jewish community. The issue has tentatively been put on the backburner with Kissinger's assurance on Friday.

At first, Congress had sought such an assurance from Kissinger in writing, but the Secretary did not want to "humiliate" Sadat and therefore argued that it should be made in response to questions — less formal, but still as binding.

Members of the subcommittee supporting the plans deal to Egypt included George McGovern (D-S. Dak.), Charles Percy (R-Ill.) and Mike Mansfield (D-Mont.), the Senate majority leader.

On another subject, Kissinger said that the "situation in Lebanon would almost certainly have exploded in the last two weeks" if it had not been for the positive relations that the U.S. has with the Arab states. He again praised Syria for having played "a positive role" in efforts to solve the problems in Lebanon. "It is still a very tenuous situation," he noted.

U.S. transitional funding

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ing would have probably been approved.

But early last week it became clear that the Administration had changed its position — a severe blow to Israel. Israeli Finance Ministry officials had already budgeted the funds and without them Israeli taxpayers will have to further tighten their belts.

During his meeting with Sowercroft at the White House, Dinitz also complained about continued delays in arms shipments to Israel, many of which are bogged down ostensibly because of technical problems. The two officials went over the problems for about one hour, but it was understood here that Dinitz did not receive satisfactory replies.

Diplomatic sources said after the meeting that Israel was currently experiencing many problems in arms deliveries, including items already promised. Sowercroft was said to have maintained that there were

production problems and delays not concerning Israel.

The meeting later on Friday with Kissinger primarily centred around the Lebanese situation and Jordan's King Hussein, who visited Washington last week.

Kissinger reportedly told Dinitz that Hussein was anxious to maintain his independence and Jordan's recent alignment with Syria was mostly a matter of "tactics." Because of the pressing problems in Lebanon, Hussein and the Americans did not get around to discussing in great detail Israel's offer to negotiate agreements ending the state of war, the diplomatic sources said.

Kissinger is also said to have told Dinitz that Jordan did not presently issue a new military shopping list because of financial problems it had in paying the bills. Hussein told reporters last week that the \$800m. price tag on the Hawk anti-aircraft missile system he purchased from the U.S. last year was too high, and he was threatening to end the deal if the price were not reduced.

Egged employees cancel strike, will negotiate

By MACABEE DEAN Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The strike of 2,600 Egged employees scheduled to start this morning, was called off on Friday after their representatives and the Egged Executive reached agreement on opening negotiations for a labour contract.

Until now, all 2,600 of us worked for years without any sort of contract whatsoever," Meir Elibas, spokesman for the hired hands, said. "We threatened to strike to force the Egged Executive to open negotiations. We have succeeded."

Meanwhile, Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi met on Friday with representatives of the several political bodies within Egged and asked them to form a "wall-to-wall" coalition.

Gideon Talmor, speaking for the Progressive faction, which with the Oz faction runs Egged, yesterday told The Jerusalem Post that this depended in large measure on the opposition adopting our "economic plan to put the cooperative on its financial feet."

This would consist of many steps, Talmor said, including "wage cuts for members."

Ze'ev Kirschner, spokesman of the opposition Alternative faction, rejected such a plan outright, saying that his faction had drawn up a long range one which was at least "practical."

"Do you think that any member would agree to have his wages cut?" Kirschner asked. "Even proposing this would lead to anarchy in Egged."

(The proposed wage cut will be in the neighbourhood of IL300 a month, observers estimate.) Despite prospects of a "wall-to-wall" coalition being dim, all factions will meet today to discuss it.

Tel Aviv's bus cooperative, Dan, is running into financial difficulties also. On Friday, the cooperative threatened that if the Government does not pay the IL30m. it owes us, we will tell the Government to take over the management of the cooperative.

Dan spokesman Mordecai Shanai said, "The Government does not agree (with the figure) — but it even refuses to say how much it owes us. It keeps pushing it off all the time with the excuse that it hasn't worked out the figures yet."

Labour chiefs argue fiscal policy

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The steering forum of the Labour Party on Friday tackled the Government's fiscal and social policy — and adjourned without reaching a consensus. Attending were most Cabinet ministers, the Knesset faction whip, Moshe Wergman, Finance Chairman Yisrael Kargman, and Histadrut Secretary-General Yehoram Meshel.

The polarized views, expressed by Meshel and Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz followed familiar lines, it was learned.

Meshel insisted that he could appeal to the workers to restrain their demands only if he was sure all had been done to lay a hand on "black money," and that every citizen is giving his share. He wanted the Government to outline an overall policy on taxes and profits, and make capital bear its share of the public burden.

Rabinowitz argued that this was exactly what the Government is doing, but that the Histadrut is impeding progress by laying down conditions before doing its share.

Trade deficit growth slows in January

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel's trade deficit declined by nine per cent last January in comparison to December 1975 to total \$140m., for the month according to figures released yesterday by the Central Bureau of Statistics. The deficit for January 1976 was \$223m.

The average monthly deficit for the period of October-December 1975 was \$172m., compared to \$200m. in the period of July-September 1975.

In January this year, imports declined by six per cent, compared to the previous month, while exports increased by four per cent. The average monthly exports in the last four months totalled \$170m., compared to \$157m. in the period of May-August 1975.

Protest at port over forcing four to retire

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Some 700 port employees stopped work for two hours on Friday to protest a Ports Authority decision to impose retirement on four men, aged 60 or more, but none yet 65. The four reportedly do not work, because their jobs have become redundant, but refuse to accept alternative employment.

The strike was unauthorized and the Haifa Labour Council was not consulted. The labour contract allows the Port Authority to impose compulsory retirement on employees over 60, who have at least 10 years service, if there is no need for them.

The staff committee claims the four men will lose their full pay rates between now and mandatory retirement at 65, and also face retiring on a reduced pension because of withdrawing before age 65, they are entitled to a lower rate.

Israel handball team loses close game to Japan

TEL AVIV. — Japan beat Israel 17-15 yesterday in a closely fought first leg of a qualifying Olympic handball match to decide which team will represent Asia in the Montreal Olympic games.

Half-time score was 10-8 to the visitors in an evenly matched game that pitted the Israeli height advantage against the fast-moving Japanese players.

The second leg of the match will be played at 8.30 p.m. tomorrow at Yad Eliyahu stadium.

Israel got off to a fast 5-3 start but the Japanese soon caught up and maintained the lead after drawing level at 5-5.

Despite a late rally by Israel which narrowed the gap to 16-15 in the last three minutes of the game, the home team failed to penetrate a strong Japanese defence.

Schindler: 50-50 chance for \$550m.

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — Rabbi Alexander Schindler, Chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, said on the conclusion of his visit here that the chances of Israel getting the transitional \$550m. from the U.S. are still "fifty-fifty."

He added that it would be difficult to overcome President Ford's opposition to this sum at a time when the American domestic budget is being cut, but that U.S. Jewry is doing all in its power to obtain the additional assistance. (Itim)

SADAT

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also be particularly ill-timed immediately after the abortive Luxembourg summit meeting of Common Market leaders at which Schmidt refused to bail out the ailing monetary systems of France and the other European partners.

Sadat's visit to France follows tours of military facilities here over the past month by Egyptian War Minister General Abdel Ghani Gurnay and Air Force Commander Air Vice-Marshal Mohammed Shaker Abdel Moneim.

Sadat will spend today meeting members of the Egyptian community, including bankers and students, living in France.

Before leaving tomorrow for Italy, the next lap of his European tour, Sadat will discuss long-range arms cooperation with French Premier Jacques Chirac.

The French aircraft industry estimates it will need to lend Sadat 4,000 engineers and other qualified staff if plans are finalized to help Egypt set up an \$8b. arms factory in Cairo. If France and Egypt reach an agreement, it could be embodied in a pact which could be signed by Sadat and Chirac when the French Prime Minister visits Egypt later this year.

Woj Bilizer reports from Washington:

West German officials are hinting at a more flexible attitude toward the PLO, following President Sadat's five-day visit, the "Baltimore Sun" reported from Bonn yesterday.

German officials were quoted as saying that they discern an "encouraging tendency within the PLO to de-emphasize terrorism as a means of achieving political goals."

"According to the newspaper, the German officials readily conceded that terror is still practised, particularly by the more "radical" Arab terrorist groups. "But they say that the moderate leadership under Yasser Arafat for some time has dropped advocacy of such activities," the "Sun" said.

"As a result," it continued, "Bonn hopes the PLO now also will move toward recognition of Israel's right to existence, thus encouraging West Germany to eventually take up official contacts with the Palestinian organization."

The newspaper said that Chancellor Schmidt "appears to have resisted Mr. Sadat's beckoning for Bonn to assume a bigger Mideast role."

MORE THAN 5,000 sportsmen from eight to 80 took part in the 24th annual Mt. Tabor field run yesterday. Distances raced from 600 metres to 11 kilometres, and the winner was the Dutchman, Vaser Brahman. Best Israeli runner was Dani Mashari.

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Arabs lift boycott on Leyland

ALEXANDRIA. — The Arab Boycott organization, ending its 39th semi-annual meeting here yesterday, announced that it had moved its base on letting the British Leyland Motor Corporation trade with Arab countries.

The Corporation and its 97 affiliates were among four groups taken off the blacklist after they satisfied the body that they had stopped trading with Israel, boycott head Mohammed Mahgoub said. The other companies taken off the list were the British group General Electric and their 22 affiliate firms, the Swiss company Sika, which produces building materials, and the Rumanian airline Tarom.

Mahgoub said that some companies and banks, which had applied to be removed from the blacklist, had been given six months in which to sever their ties with Israel. These included Barclays Bank and the Lomro Corporation, both of Britain, Volkswagen of West Germany and the Rumanian oil company Petrol Export. Their appeals would be reviewed after they had submitted documents proving they were adhering to the economic boycott of Israel.

Mahgoub said the conference had imposed a trading ban on 16 French, British, Cypriot, Swiss, U.S., Spanish, Italian and Dutch companies, and the affiliate companies of some of them. He did not identify the companies. (A.P. Reuters)

14 Labour MKs call on Rabin to show support

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Recent attacks on Prime Minister Rabin's leadership prompted 14 Labour MKs to call on Rabin last Thursday in a show of support.

Ora Namir, who originated the meeting, said yesterday that "many harsh words were said about Rabin, especially in the public debate in the Alignment Knesset faction recently, that we felt he should be told that criticism did not undermine loyalty."

She added that the Prime Minister was unjustly attacked on issues which everybody knew he was not conversant with when he was elected.

"It was known that he had little or no party background, and practically no parliamentary experience. But we did vote for him, and we believe he is doing pretty well under the circumstances."

Others at the meeting included former cabinet ministers Yitzhak Ben Aharon and Aharon Yariv, deputy secretary-general of the party Avraham Gever, and Labour MKs Shalom Levin, Ari Ankori, Yossi Sarid, Rabbi Menachem Hacohen, Havi Shimon, Jacques Amir, Shoshana Almoushine-Arbell, Moshe Shahal, and Benzion Halfon.

Yisrael Kargman, chairman of the Knesset Finance Committee, commented that "the initiative of the 14 did not indicate that they alone supported Rabin. "Rabin enjoys our full confidence," he said, adding, "I cannot see the use of creating small groups of Knesset members to express it."

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Siboni found guilty of assault and extortion

Albert Siboni of Movamret Yerushalayim — one of a group of brothers involved last year in a "campaign of terror" against a U.S. immigrant family in the village — was on Friday found guilty on three counts of extortion and assault against a building-block maker in neighbouring Ma'ar Zion.

District Court Judge Elihu Noam found that Siboni had taken a block-making machine from Pinhas Pinhas through threats and violence, and had demanded a further IL5,000 from him. The Judge deferred sentencing until later.

(Siboni's brother Eli, 27, is currently serving a three-month sentence for his role in attacking U.S. immigrant Joel Isaacson and uprooting saplings on his property. The Isaacsons left the country last November, saying the Sibonis had waged a mounting campaign of violence against them in an attempt to encourage them to leave.)

The court found that in April 1975 Albert Siboni ordered Pinhas to vacate Pinhas's block-making plant. When Pinhas refused, Siboni struck him and forced him to turn over a IL2,000 block-making machine, without payment.

A few days later Siboni called

Pinhas, announced that the machine was "not so good," and demanded that Pinhas pay him IL5,000. "If you don't," Siboni said, "I'll make you a cripple for life and rape your daughter in front of you."

During the course of the trial Pinhas attempted to withdraw his complaint, saying that Siboni had expressed remorse. He, Pinhas, wished to live on good terms, he said, but added "because I know (Siboni) is a violent man and I am afraid of him, and his brothers."

Due to the nature of his testimony, Pinhas was declared a hostile witness. But the court had no difficulty in accepting the truth of his original report. "There is not the shadow of a doubt," Judge Noam said, "that the complaint spoke the truth in his original complaint to the police, and only afterward, in court, tried to give the matter the character of a dispute between neighbours."

Siboni, who denied all the charges, was cleared on only one of them. This was that, last June 13, he attempted to run Pinhas down at the Social station near the entrance to Jerusalem. The charge was dismissed for lack of proof. (Him)

El Al, flight crews start talks today

Ben-Ari: Bound by gov't policy

By EZEK SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Aviation Correspondent
BEN GURION AIRPORT. — Wage negotiations with El Al's flight crews are due to start today, press officer Mordechai Savitsky told The Jerusalem Post on Friday.

The basic guidelines for the talks, as handed down to the El Al management by the Treasury, call for the full implementation of the new tax reform laws and will be applied "to all components of the flight crews' wages," The Post was told.

Part of the wages would continue to be paid in foreign currency but would be fully taxed, at the going exchange rate. The foreign currency component would be negotiated — implying that the present IL to foreign currency ratio of the wages will no longer be automatically extended.

A special message sent by company president Mordechai Ben-Ari to the flight crews on Friday expressed the hope that the talks would be conducted in a spirit of mutual trust and cooperation. Ben-Ari made it clear he would have to abide by the guidelines laid down by the Treasury and the Ministerial committee on salaries.

With the opening of the talks, El Al faces one of the most critical periods in its history. While

traffic prospects look highly encouraging, the flight crews are holding the company in a vice.

The "hard liners" among the flight crew staffers claim they have been the victims of a press smear campaign and their rights ignored by both the Government and public. They will insist on retaining their present net incomes regardless of the consequences, as opposed to other segments of the cockpit staff who believe that everything is negotiable and that reasoning and logic should prevail. They are also aware that any strike on their part may very well break the company's back since the company is already heavily committed in loans and repayment for its fourth jumbo, still on the Boeing factory tarmac at Seattle. A strike now, at the peak of the season, would cause travel agents to prefer foreign carriers and cost El Al, in addition to the actual costs of the strike, everything the company has put into promotion and goodwill investments.

The flight crews are only one of three hurdles facing El Al management. The other two are negotiations with the ground crews and the administrative and office staffs. Any one of the staff committees could stop the company's operations.

IL600m. rail link to extend to Eilat

BEERSHEBA. — A IL600m. project for construction of a rail link with Eilat has been presented to the Government by Transport Minister, Gad Ya'acobi. The programme would be completed within a five-year period, in the minister's estimation.

This was disclosed by Mr. Ya'acobi last week during the course of a joint tour with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of the proposed rail-road area to extend from the Oxon

phosphate works to the rich phosphate beds in the Eilat-Haifa vicinity.

It was pointed out that the opening of the Suez Canal to international shipping, makes it doubly imperative to create a rail link between Eilat and the north of the country. IL60m. have already been invested in preliminary work in the area. The Prime Minister expressed satisfaction with what he saw, calling it the realization of a pioneering dream. (Him)

Chase Manhattan promotes Israeli

Jerusalem Post Correspondent
WASHINGTON. — An Israeli has been promoted by the Chase Manhattan Bank to be a vice-president in the international department, the bank announced on Friday.

Yoram Kibberg, 32, a graduate

of the Technion and associated with the bank since 1973, had been named a vice-president. Kibberg, who holds a Ph.D. from New York University, has been an assistant treasurer and second vice-president. He was born in Haifa.

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This rare 16th century world map has been donated to the National Maritime Museum in Haifa by M.J. Kugel, of Paris. The map is a woodcut that was part of a Cosmographia by Peter Apianus or Blenewitz, a German cartographer who was born in Saxony in 1495. An enlarged edition of Cosmographia became a standard textbook in the 16th century. The lettering on the map is engraved in an irregular mixture of Italian and Roman Capitals, either for variety or because the printer's shop was limited in its supplies. Outside the heart-shaped projection is an elaborate arrangement of wind faces and clouds, with Mars and Neptune in a dominating position at the top.

Israeli killed in Germany was 'known underworld figure' here

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Yehuda Fein, shot dead near his home in Neuenhausen, near Wiesbaden, Germany, early last week, was a well-known figure to the Israeli Police.

According to one police source, Fein was a suspect in a murder case in 1953 and in 1957 and 1961 served time in Israeli prisons. Among the offences he had been suspected of over the years were burglary, rape and holding stolen property.

In 1973, he was sought by the police on suspicion of dealing in drugs, but managed to leave the country in 1974, apparently on a false passport.

The murder of Fein may have been carried out as part of a gang war in Frankfurt over heroin distribution rights. These are at present three different Israeli gangs

competing with one another; and they in turn are fighting with Italian, Chinese and Czech groups for the lucrative drug traffic centred in Frankfurt. Fein was at one time arrested by the German police on suspicion of trafficking in heroin, but was later released.

According to Yitzhak Segal, the Israeli lawyer participating in the defence of Shimon (Kushi) — one of five Israelis on trial in Frankfurt for drug dealing — there are some 90 Israelis detained in Frankfurt or other jails in Hessen State.

Of the 90, a third are awaiting trial, a third are in the process of being tried, and the remainder have been sentenced. Most of them are being held for drug offences.

Concerning the trial of Kushi, Segal said that the verdict will be handed down next Wednesday. Segal is hoping that the court will decide that Kushi is mentally ill and will subsequently release him in order

to undergo treatment in Israel. However, "on a more realistic level," he expects that Kushi, a former paratrooper in the famous 101 commando unit, will probably get about four to five years in jail.

The prosecution, Segal said, has been making Kushi out to be one of the top figures in the drug ring. In fact, he was only in Germany for two months in 1975, whereas the drug ring — run by Yosef Amiel, who escaped from prison in Frankfurt — had been operating for two years.

Segal said that the two months Kushi was in Germany were at the invitation of Amiel. During this time Amiel was supporting him. Occasionally there were trips to Holland and other places in Europe in which Kushi acted as a "messenger boy" for Amiel. "This, however, is far from being one of the ringleaders in the gang."

Yamit residents blame government 'ineptness' for slow development

Jerusalem Post Reporter

YAMIT. — Residents of this six-month-old development town last week complained that Housing Ministry "ineptness" is hindering the town's economic development, and has already produced at least 15 unemployed.

Speaking at a town meeting, Yamit Citizens' Committee chairman Yisrael Nir added that unemployment opportunities has caused 25 per cent of prospective residents to cancel their plans to come.

Noting that the first two buildings in Yamit's industrial area, were finished six weeks ago, Nir said the factories — most of them with contracts — that are to occupy them cannot take up their quarters, because electric lines have not yet been connected. One plant slated for Yamit — a metalworks started by Soviet immigrants — has been forced to remain in Netivot due to this for example.

Nir blamed the Housing Ministry for an "utter lack of coordination" between bringing families to live in the town and providing them with employment. "The Ministry can build homes," he said, "but they are utterly inept at planning and developing cities."

One result, he told the meeting, was that many residents — including Soviet and American immigrants — have had to take temporary jobs that are far outside their fields. Furthermore, he charged, the problem will grow worse as new families arrive at the end of the school year.

Asked to comment, the Housing Ministry's development officer for Yamit, Rafi Leshem, said that a family moving to Yamit has to realize that employment opportunities are scarce. "Didn't you know what the situation was here before you came?" he asked one unemployed resident.

Last Wednesday, Housing Ministry officials sat with a group of Yamit's unemployed in an attempt to find work with local building

contractors. Most offers involved monthly salaries of IL200 to IL4,500.

If adequate solutions are not found, Yamit's citizens plan a demonstration to protest the situation.

In other developments, construction work has finally begun on summer beach facilities despite Defence Ministry opposition to developing the beach until the problem of the many Beduin squatting in the strip of palm trees nearby is settled.

There are now large piles of manure scattered throughout the area, and it is common to see Beduin children begging food from tourists and swimmers.

Many months ago a decision was reached to move the Beduin 300 metres away from both sides of the

road to the beach. This order has not yet been carried out.

Two weeks ago a perfunctory attempt was made to begin work on beach facilities, but Beduin stood in front of the tractors and hindered work. Military authorities from Rafiah arrived and hired demonstrators as guards to prevent further disturbances. Later, work was ordered halted completely.

Housing authorities and Jewish National Fund representatives claim these Beduin have only been living in Yamit a comparatively short time. Gideon Sapir of the JNF in Beersheba described in the last issue of Yamit's local paper, "Yamit," how he visited Yamit early in 1975 and only encountered one Beduin family. Today he points out that there are hundreds of Beduin along the Yamit beach.

Max Ernst, founder of surrealism, dies at 85

PARIS. — The German-born pioneer of surrealism, Max Ernst, died at his Paris home Thursday night on the eve of his 85th birthday, his family said.

A victim of Nazism, Ernst was thrown into a concentration camp in World War II but escaped and became an American citizen. He lived his last years in France. He started painting in 1910 after studying philosophy, psychiatry and the history of art.

He was a founder of the German Dada Movement and created a scandal by inviting visitors to one exhibition to destroy works they liked. He once explained his motives by writing about the period after World War I: "A war that had been horrible and stupid had denied us five years of existence... my works at this time were not made to please people but to make them howl."

He found success in the U.S. in 1938, when he mounted an exhibi-

tion entitled "Fantastic Art, Dada, Surrealism." By 1938 he had left the French surrealist group after an argument with its founder, Andre Breton.

In 1941 he married Peggy Guggenheim, the wealthy art patron, who showed his works in her gallery. They were divorced in 1946 and he married fellow-surrealist Dorothea Tanning.

Ernst claimed to have produced some two million paintings.

Police Minister to Holland this week

Police Minister Shlomo Eliezer will visit the Netherlands April 5-12 at the invitation of Holland's Minister of Culture, Recreation and Social Welfare.

The invitation was extended to Eliezer in his capacity as chairman of the Ministerial Committee for Social Betterment.

Soviets to try youngest Zalmanson

TEL AVIV. — The youngest brother of former prisoner of Zion Shiva Zalmanson will be charged by the Soviet authorities with bribery and theft of government property, she learned last week in a phone conversation with her father in the USSR.

The brother, Samuel, 28, who had been the only one of the brothers to have stayed out of prison, was arrested without warning last week. There was no charge against him at that time.

Miss Zalmanson says her father was given no details about the charges.

Miss Zalmanson, her husband Edward Kuznetsov and brothers, Wolf and Israel, were all convicted for their part in the 1970 plot to hijack a Soviet plane.

She told The Jerusalem Post that her father said that since Samuel's arrest, their list had been thoroughly searched and the son's car confiscated. Also confiscated was an invitation which she sent her brother to enable him to apply for a tourist visa to Israel.

IN MEMORIAM Abu Assa, the Beduin's doctor

DR. BENJAMIN BEN-ASSA, who died in Beersheba last month at the age of 58, after a long illness, was universally known as "the Beduin's doctor" because of his years of work among the Negev Beduin.

He and his wife Martha, a well-known Beersheba pediatrician, escaped from the Nazis in Holland in 1942 — as head of the Student Zionist Organization at Amsterdam University he had been high on the SS "wanted" list. The couple managed to reach England via Spain, and he joined the Netherlands Navy as a medical officer.

While on convoy duty between Alexandria and Haifa in 1944, he visited Jerusalem and found his parents, who had reached Palestine after being liberated from Bergen-Belsen. Dr. Ben-Asa continued to serve with the Dutch Navy until 1950, when he and his wife settled in Israel.

Dr. Ben-Asa began his work among the Beduin in 1954, under the auspices of the Ministry of Health. He continued until 1967, when ill health forced him to give up this job, but not before he had opened a clinic for Sinai Beduin in Wadi Faraz, on the road to Santa Katarina. In 1962 he gained the Ph.D. Award for medical research among the Beduin, and in 1967 he received the Netherlands Schweizer Award for his devotion to the well-being of the Beduin. This caused some stir at the time, since Dr. Ben-Asa gave the prize money to a clinic for refugee babies in Jordan.

Not every Beduin knew who Dr. Ben-Asa was, but every one of them knew "Abu Assa." Loved by all who knew him, he was eulogized at his graveside by a Beduin, Sheikh Hamad Abu Rab's MK. His passing leaves a void that may never be filled. H.B.A.

Dep'y banks examiner out on IL150,000 bail

TEL AVIV. — Yitzhak Grossman, the Bank of Israel's deputy examiner of banks, was released Friday on IL150,000 bail, after three weeks of questioning in connection with alleged breach of trust. But Magistrate Yitzhak Revivi barred Grossman — who police suspect of having used confidential information to profit in securities trading — from meeting with stock-market officials or with officers of the Mizrahi and First International banks.

Costa Rica may buy 'Arava' planes

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica. — Costa Rica is considering buying Israel's "Arava" passenger planes, First Vice-President Dr. Carlos Manuel Castillo said on Friday. President Daniel Oduber Quirios visited a plane factory outside Tel Aviv during his visit to Israel last week and was favourably impressed, the Vice-President said. Further negotiations would be carried out in the next few days, he added. (AP)

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New absorption affairs office opens in J'lem

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The United Synagogue of America in Israel opened its new absorption affairs department on Friday, at 2 Agon Street, in the presence of Uzi Narkiss, director of the Jewish Agency's Immigration Department, and Rabbi Bernard Segal, immediate past executive vice-president of the United Synagogue. Opening of the department is the result of resolutions to strengthen the aliyah movement passed when the United Synagogue board of directors held its first meeting in Jerusalem in January. An aliyah department will soon be established in the United Synagogue's New York office. Dr. Pesach Schindler, director, said Miryam Shuman will be in charge of the department.



Education Minister Aharon Yadin listens as Lawrence Gremis, president of Columbia University's Teachers' College, makes a point Thursday as they stand outside the college in New York City. (AP radiophoto)

Israel, N.Y.C. sign educational exchange accord

Minister of Education and Culture, Aharon Yadin, last week signed an agreement with New York City school officials for co-operation in the educational field. The agreement, the first of its kind, will place special emphasis on methods for the advancement of pupils from deprived backgrounds. Other arrangements provide for mutual exchanges of information, experimental research, and exchanges of students and teachers. Mr. Isaiah Robinson, signing for New York, said that the agreement will enable New Yorkers to profit from Israel's successes in the educational field. Mr. Yadin is visiting the U.S. as guest of the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, and of the National Council of Jewish Women.

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Spanish police teargas marchers

MADRID. — Police prepared yesterday to block weekend demonstrations expected from both left and right as the government banned all political action in the streets, saying it would lead to violence. Fresh unrest came as a telephone strike mushroomed in Madrid and Barcelona, focal points for the scheduled demonstrations.

Riot police fired teargas and baton-charged several hundred leftist demonstrators who defied the government ban and marched through the city centre yesterday in support of demands for political amnesty.

In pouring rain, the demonstrators blocked traffic as they marched with banners saying "liberty" and "amnesty." Car drivers sounded their horns to the rhythm of the slogan "liberty."

Another showdown was due last night in Barcelona with centre-leftists scheduled to march on city hall to demand the resignation of the Barcelona mayor and city council.

The biggest demonstrations were expected today, with the leftists demanding amnesty for political prisoners and rightists calling for patriotic support for the ways of the old regime. Both called for marches in the streets of Spain's two biggest cities.

With political tension high, Interior Minister Manuel Fraga's police declared all street demonstrations illegal and said they would use the necessary force to prevent them.

Premier Carlos Arias returned to Madrid after taking the government to the southern city of Seville for a one-day cabinet session with King Juan Carlos, on a tour of the Andalusian region.

The Barcelona civil governor's office announced late Friday that a demonstration asked for by veterans from the winning side of the late Gen. Francisco Franco in the Spanish civil war had been prohibited. Earlier accounts indicated the right-wing group had received an official go-ahead.

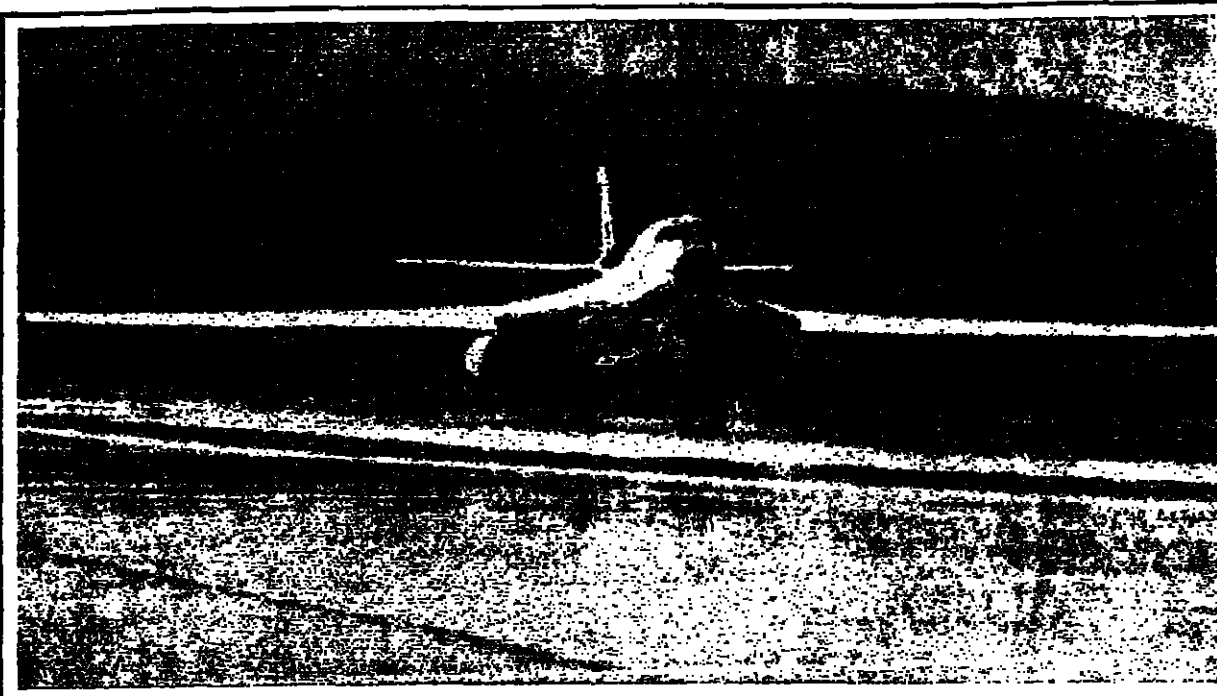
The governor's office said "the confederation of combatants" could stage a Sunday rally inside a public building near its planned demonstration site but could not go into the streets. Leftist demonstrators turned down a similar offer, the governor's office said.

Reflecting official concern over a hardening of political positions in the past days as the King's regime tries to liberalize, the governor's office added: "This government laments the fact that possible incidents and disturbances for the population can come from unauthorized street demonstrations on Sunday."

In Madrid, Franco war veterans agreed publicly to call off a march scheduled for today in the centre of the capital. Organizers of a pro-amnesty demonstration also urged their followers to stay home. But militants from both sides indicated they would defy the government's orders. The interior ministry also prohibited amnesty marches in Pamplona and Pontevedra.

The telephone strike came after negotiations for a new contract broke down. Official government union sources said about 25,000 persons were on strike across the nation.

In the Barcelona industrial suburb of Mataro, 1,000 workers staged a sit-in at a church as a protest against the government. Anti-government labour sources said a general strike was called for tomorrow.



The second prototype B-1 bomber takes off from Palmdale, California airport on its maiden voyage on Friday. The second of four B-1 prototypes being built for the air force by Rockwell International was completed in January. (UPI telephoto)

Rightists kill 15 in Buenos Aires

BUENOS AIRES. — The bodies of nine men and six women apparently slain by Right-wing death squads, were found early yesterday in different parts of the Buenos Aires area, police reported.

The slayings were the first evidence of Right-wing terrorism since the armed forces overthrew President Isabel Peron in a bloodless coup on March 24. The unidentified victims, all in their twenties, were riddled with bullets and dumped in isolated areas on the outskirts of the capital — the method used by Right-wing death squads.

Meanwhile in Cordoba, 710 km. north-west of Buenos Aires, security forces killed a Peruvian, Eduardo Castellano Soto, identified as a member of the Marxist "People's Revolutionary Army" terrorist group. Argentina's political violence has cost 238 lives this year. And 53 persons have died since the coup in several attacks by Leftists.

The death toll reported yesterday was the highest for a day since the coup.

The economic front, the military government has launched an ambitious economic plan to increase production, promote exports, reform the tax structure and encourage foreign investment. Economy Minister Jose Martinez de Hoz indicated on Friday night that the peso would be devalued. He added that exchange markets would be reopened tomorrow.

Egypt rejects Soviet note

CAIRO. — Egyptian Prime Minister Moustafa Salem, in the strongest criticism of the Soviet Union since Egypt abrogated its friendship treaty with the Kremlin, said Moscow has tried to impose its trusteeship and its will on Egypt. He was replying on Friday night to a Kremlin statement which held Egypt responsible for the discord between the two countries.

Egypt also rejected an official Soviet note attacking Sadat's abrogation, the official Middle East news agency reported.

Vice-President Hosni Mubarak refused to receive the note in a meeting on Wednesday with Soviet Ambassador to Cairo Vladimir Polakov, the agency said.

Rome women protest gov't decision on abortion

ROME. — Over 100,000 women marched through the streets of downtown Rome yesterday in a mammoth pro-abortion demonstration denouncing the Vatican, the Christian Democrat party and demanding that abortion be made free and legal in Roman Catholic Italy.

The march, led and supervised by women who barred men from joining them, followed a decision by the chamber earlier in the week to depenalize abortion but confining it to therapeutic and rape cases. The crucial section of the bill cleared the house of deputies on Thursday with enough Christian Democrat and the neo-Fascist Italian Social Movement votes to overcome a drive by other parties for a more liberal abortion law.

Police said the demonstration was the largest by women in the capital. "Si, si, si, let's abort, D.C. (Christian Democrats)," demonstrating women shouted in their march.

Assailing the Vatican's steadfast stand against abortion, the marchers carried banners reading: "Let the

Pope take care of his business, we'll take care of our abortion."

Armed police guarded the Christian Democrat headquarters along the march route.

Commentators were unanimous in predicting elections as the most likely outcome of the deep split on abortion between the dominant Christian Democrats and the Socialists, whose support is essential to keep them in power.

The Socialists on Friday threatened to bring down the fragile 50-day-old minority cabinet headed by Aldo Moro after the Christian Democrats temporarily allied themselves with the far-right Italian Social Movement (MSI) on Thursday to push through the restrictive parliamentary amendment affecting the abortion reform bill.

The Socialists said they now want a referendum to settle the abortion question. But this was widely interpreted as meaning that they really want elections, as the conservative wing of the Christian Democrat party is also believed to do.

MPLA to try mercenaries 'for war crimes'

LONDON. — Captured mercenaries, from Britain, the U.S. and Argentina — including a Briton who allegedly had 14 of his comrades executed — are to go on trial in Angola for war crimes, the British Broadcasting Corp. reported over the weekend.

The BBC, referring only to "a report from Angola" as its source, quoted Angolan Justice Minister Diogo Soares as saying the mercenaries will be "tried" by a jury of about 30 "international personalities" invited to Angola by the ruling MPLA Popular Front. The recommendations of this jury will be sent to a special tribunal which will hand down sentences, Soares reportedly said.

According to the report, the dozen mercenaries facing trial include Costas Georgiou, a British naturalised Greek Cypriot who used the alias "Colonel Callan." British reports from Angola during the civil war, which ended in victory for the MPLA, said

Callan ordered 14 Britons to be shot after they mistakenly fired on their own side and for refusing to fight. Witnesses said Georgiou was last seen escaping into the bush after being badly wounded by mortar fire in the Damba area of Angola.

According to the Angolan news agency, the mercenaries "facing trial, who had been fighting for the defeated National Front for the Liberation of Angola (FNLA), include nine Britons, two Americans and one Argentine."

A Foreign Office spokesman in London said the report was being studied. He said there is no British diplomatic representative in Angola, although Britain has recognized the new regime.

John Banks, who organized the recruiting of mercenaries in Britain, said to the British Press Association when shown a list of names of the men facing trial: "God, they've got Callan. That bastard deserves everything he gets."

Plenty of possible presidents for Lebanon — if Franjeh quits

By HELENA CORBAN

BEIRUT. — The success of the latest truce called in Lebanon may well depend on who is chosen to succeed President Sleiman Franjeh.

Kamal Jumblatt, who proclaimed the truce on behalf of the Moslem and leftist alliance he leads, demanded that during the 10 days it is scheduled to last, Franjeh should quit and parliament elect a new president.

It is up to the 99 deputies to choose the head of state by a simple majority, but until the votes are cast, a host of political pressures can be brought to bear by rival factions, by the country's Syrian neighbours, and by the Palestinians.

Jumblatt said that the left's attitude to the new President will depend on his reaction to the reform programme it put forward last August, which calls on Lebanon to become a secular state.

The implication behind his words was that if the left is not satisfied it can always go back to war. During the truce the forces, his alliance commands will stay armed, in the positions they have won.

Two main candidates for the presidency are veteran politician Raymond Edde and Central Bank Governor Elias Sarkis, who lost to Franjeh by only one vote in the 1970 presidential election.

The choice of either would reflect the balance between Jumblatt's leftist alliance and the rightists. Edde, a 63-year-old bachelor, is the best known of the possible candidates. He is the son of a former head of state under the French mandate.

He is on good terms with Moslem political leaders and would almost certainly win the support of Jumblatt. But he has made no effort to ingratiate himself with the powerful right-wing among his fellow Maronite Christians.

The rightists were also upset by visits he made during the fighting



Veteran politician Raymond Edde, best known of the candidates.

to his many friends in Western capitals, and by the criticism of their policy which he made while there.

They might be joined in their opposition to Edde's candidacy by many of the Palestinian leaders, who oppose his oft-repeated calls for greater government control of terrorist activities in Lebanon. Remarks about a Syrian "mandate" in Lebanon, which Edde made while on his foreign travels, are not likely to endear him to Damascus either.

The Lebanese right is likely to support Sarkis' election but about him, too, there are widespread reservations arising from his long association with former iron-fisted President Fouad Chehab.

Despite being dubbed a "Chehabist," 51-year-old Sarkis has this in his favour — he is considered a representative of the modernising

technocracy that has been slow to emerge in Lebanon until now. It is mainly for this reason that the local press says that Syria is amenable to his candidacy.

But Jumblatt resolutely opposes any Syrian influence in the elections here, and will probably oppose their favourite.

With opinions for and against the front-runners so deeply entrenched, it is quite possible that the Deputies will seek a compromise solution by electing someone other than Edde or Sarkis. Some names are already being mentioned in the press.

Edde's younger brother Pierre, 54, is one possibility. A quiet man, he holds similar views to his brother but without arousing right-wing wrath. His experience as president of a sizeable Beirut bank gives him some important economic expertise.

Three former ministers are also mentioned — a 58-year-old lawyer, Jean Azil, would, if elected, be the first Lebanese president to come from the depressed southern region. Pierre Helou, 46, a businessman, comes from the same class as former President Charles Helou. Civil Servant Michel al-Khoury, 49, is the son of the first president of independent Lebanon.

Another possible candidate is Manuel Younis, 55, a Deputy and author of several works on Lebanese politics who once taught in the University of Venezuela.

One thing is virtually certain about the next president of Lebanon. Unless the Moslems make a last-minute surprise move, he will be a Maronite Christian, keeping alive the tradition that has survived since the conclusion of the unwritten national pact in 1943.

Jumblatt's demand for the secularisation of the state would give him access to the country's top three posts, from which he is at present barred because he belongs to the wrong sect. He is a Druse.

But no one has yet challenged the existing agreement by proposing a non-Maronite as the next Lebanese president. (Reuters)

Ford condemns shooting at Soviet mission

NEW YORK. — President Gerald Ford on Friday strongly condemned an early morning incident in which a gunman fired two shots at the Soviet United Nations mission.

Ford said he was "deeply disturbed" by the incident, the third attack on a Soviet office in New York in the past five weeks.

"I have instructed the Department of Justice to do everything it can in cooperation with the New York authorities to bring to justice those who have committed these vicious acts," Ford said.

The Soviet Union lodged a "strong protest" with the U.S. over the shooting, the Soviet news agency Tass said.

The shots, which shattered a ninth-floor window at the Soviet mission but caused no injuries, were branded as an "absolute outrage" by the U.S. ambassador to the UN, William Scranton.

A man claiming to represent the Jewish Armed Resistance claimed responsibility for two shots fired into the Soviet mission.

Stanley Lowell, chairman of the U.S. National Conference on Soviet Jewry, condemned the shooting on Friday, saying it was the work of "misguided individuals."

Around the world

Dutch expel 2 Soviet agents

AMSTERDAM. — Two Soviet agents expelled by the Netherlands tried to buy classified information and U.S. jet fighters being a Dutch-Soviet computer company built for the Dutch Air Force and three other Nato partners, the Amsterdam daily "De Volkskrant" reported on Friday. The two men were ordered out of the country after being uncovered by Dutch intelligence officers.

They were identified as G.M.

Burmistrov, an official of the Soviet trade bureau in Amsterdam, and V.I. Khlystov, the director of a U.S. jet fighters being a Dutch-Soviet computer company built for the Dutch Air Force and three other Nato partners, the Amsterdam daily "De Volkskrant" reported on Friday. The two men were ordered out of the country after being uncovered by Dutch intelligence officers.

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Four die in Turkish quake

ANKARA. — An earthquake killed four persons and demolished scores of homes in Turkey's eastern province of Agri, the state radio reported yesterday.

The broadcast said 1,500 cattle also perished in the quake late Friday in a remote and mountainous

region on the Russian border. A week ago two children were killed in an earthquake in the eastern province of Kars, neighbouring Agri. Last September a giant quake levelled the town of Lice in the east killing at least 2,000 persons.

(AP)

Pakistan backs Palestinians

KARACHI. — Pakistan observed a day of nationwide protest against Israel on Friday in solidarity with the Palestinian people. Religious Affairs Minister Maulana Kausar Niazi criticised Israel at a meeting in Karachi, where some shops closed in sympathy with the Palestinians.

Palestinian students living in Rawalpindi led a demonstration in front of the American Centre, carrying banners denouncing American support for Israel. (Reuters)

\$2m. for Tony's memoirs

SYDNEY. — Lord Snowdon left gart. The Sydney "Sunday Telegraph" Sydney yesterday reportedly to negotiate a \$2m. offer from Jackie Kennedy Onassis for the memoirs for Viking press, which employs him as a consultant.

(AP)

THIS WEEK at the TEL AVIV MUSEUM

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"Surrealistic Elements in Art," by Miriam Gornstein (Tel Aviv University)

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Thursday, April 8, 8 p.m. Youth Concert: The Jazz Orchestra of the Tel Aviv Academy of Music, Jerusalem.
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'Landlocked' plaint on sea control

By SERGE SCHMEIMANN

UNITED NATIONS. — Negotiations on a law of the sea have come under a sharp new challenge from an unexpected source — a bloc of 49 states that deem themselves "landlocked and geographically disadvantaged."

The group, ranging in membership from Austria, Switzerland and West Germany to Bahrain, Paraguay and Nepal, has openly attacked one of the cardinal elements of the proposed global treaty of the oceans — the 200-mile "exclusive economic zone."

"The landlocked and geographically disadvantaged could ruin the conference," said one anxious conference leader as the Mammoth talks, involving more than 1,200 negotiators from 156 states, ended the third of eight scheduled weeks. "They're overplaying their hand."

Two key proposals before the conference are to extend a coastal nation's territorial sea to 12 miles and to give it "exclusive" fishing and oil-drilling rights up to 200 miles out to sea.

This proposal, however, would benefit only the 100 or so countries that have any substantial coastline. And it would give them exclusive control over nearly all the world's fish stocks and known oil deposits.

The landlocked and geographically disadvantaged, as the name indicates, are those countries that either have no coastline or face out into a small and crowded sea.

After sitting quietly through two previous negotiating sessions — at Caracas in 1974 and in Geneva last year — they became aware that unless they did something quickly they would forever sign away any claim to the richest third of the sea.

Adding to their anxiety were growing demands by Third World coastal states to control not only fishing and mining in the economic zone, but pollution and scientific research as well.

To the landlocked and geographically disadvantaged,

this smelled of "creeping nationalization," a spokesman said that would eventually give coastal states total sovereignty over the 200-mile zone.

So after a series of little-noticed meetings, they dropped their bombshell in a series of demands:

- The right of access to the ocean. This would mean that a neighbouring state could not reject a landlocked state's demand for a route to the sea.
- The right to share in the fishing and mining of a neighbour's economic 200-mile zone. At the very least, the landlocked would demand the right to be first in line for any surplus fish after the coastal state took its share.
- Dropping the word "exclusive" from the economic zone and making clear that coastal states have only specific and limited rights in it, not the right to control pollution or scientific research.

The letter surprised the conference, not because of its demands, but because coastal states had never expected any militancy from the others.

Coastal state delegates had assumed that the landlocked would be pleased with any crumbs the conference would cast them. Without the treaty, coastal states would anyhow claim 200-mile zones, they said, but with the treaty the landlocked states stood to gain some revenues from mining in the international zone.

The major opponents of the landlocked demands are countries that would have to share their economic zones.

But to the advantage of the landlocked, these do not include the two heavyweights, the U.S. and the Soviet Union.

In fact, the superpowers share some of the demands. The U.S. and the Soviet Union are reported alarmed at the mounting demands of Third World coastal states for control over scientific research and pollution control in their economic zones.

The big powers want minimal control over any of their shipping, much of which has strategic significance.

(AP)

The British Luxury Liner "Queen Elizabeth 2" will sail from Haifa for New York on April 18. Limited space is available for passengers from Israel.

On her way to New York, the ship will call at Naples, Cannes, Barcelona, Madeira and Port Everglades, arriving at New York on May 5.

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The lecture will take place at 8:30 p.m. tonight, Sunday, April 4, 1976 in the lecture hall of The Brookdale Institute, Givat Ram campus (former Institute of Archaeology building). The public is cordially invited.

It's Manchester United v Southampton in English Football Association Cup final

LONDON. — Manchester United and Southampton won through to the final of the English Soccer Cup yesterday.

Gordon Hill scored two goals — one in each half — to give Manchester United a 2-0 success over Derby County at Hillsborough, Sheffield before a crowd of 55,000.

Southampton, a second division team, downed third division Crystal Palace, also by 2-0, at London's Stamford Bridge.

The final is at Wembley Stadium on May 1.

Manchester United will be trying to win the Cup for the fourth time. Southampton have never won it and were last in the final 74 years ago.

Manchester yesterday were without Lou Macari, still nursing an ankle injury, but went into the lead after 12 minutes. They broke out of defence at tremendous speed, and Gordon Hill cracked a left-foot shot past goalkeeper Graham Moseley from 25 yards.

Both teams played fine attacking football. The enthusiasm of the young Manchester players gradually eased Derby out of the cup. They chased every ball and harried the Derby players at every turn.

Derby, trailing 0-1 at half-time, looked more tense in the second period and gave away a stream of free-kicks. Hill tied it up for Manchester with another fine goal eight minutes from the end. He took a free-kick just outside the penalty area and scored with a shot that appeared to be deflected by a defender.

Crystal Palace, aiming to be the first team from the third division ever to reach the Cup final, kept their dreams alive for 72 minutes. Then they were sunk by two goals in five minutes.

Paul Gilchrist, a big midfielder, scored the first with a low drive from 30 yards after getting the ball from a throw-in. The shot went through a crowd of players and



Crystal Palace goalkeeper Paul Hammond saves from foot of Southampton's Mike Channon (in stripes, left), during F.A. Cup semi-final at Stamford Bridge Stadium in London yesterday. But two other Palace attempts got through, to put them into the Cup final.

goalkeeper Paul Hammond probably did not see it until it was too late.

The second goal, in the 77th minute, was a penalty by David Peach. This was after Mike Channon, Southampton's England star, had been tripped by Jim Cannon as he raced into the penalty area. Nearly 55,000 saw the match.

In the first division fixtures, Stan Bowles scored the winning goal as Queens Park Rangers won, 2-1, at Newcastle and stayed in front in the race for the English soccer championship.

Liverpool edged local rivals Everton by 1-0 and climbed into second place.

The Rangers led the standings

with 53 points and four games to field United 3; West Ham 0, Wolverhampton 0.

Standings in the First Division:

| | P | W | D | L | Pts |
|-----------------|----|----|----|----|-----|
| Q.P. Rangers | 37 | 21 | 11 | 5 | 53 |
| Liverpool | 37 | 19 | 13 | 5 | 51 |
| Manchester Utd. | 36 | 20 | 10 | 6 | 50 |
| Derby | 37 | 20 | 10 | 7 | 50 |
| Leeds | 37 | 20 | 9 | 8 | 49 |
| Tottenham | 38 | 13 | 14 | 11 | 40 |
| Manchester City | 38 | 14 | 13 | 11 | 40 |
| Leicester | 37 | 11 | 17 | 9 | 39 |
| Middlesbrough | 37 | 14 | 10 | 13 | 38 |
| Sheff. Wed. | 38 | 12 | 14 | 12 | 37 |
| Stoke | 38 | 12 | 11 | 15 | 37 |
| Norwich | 37 | 12 | 9 | 16 | 35 |
| West Ham | 38 | 16 | 9 | 13 | 35 |
| Newcastle | 38 | 12 | 9 | 16 | 35 |
| Arsenal | 37 | 12 | 9 | 16 | 35 |
| Everton | 38 | 11 | 11 | 16 | 33 |
| Coventry | 37 | 10 | 13 | 14 | 33 |
| Aston Villa | 37 | 9 | 14 | 14 | 32 |
| Birmingham | 38 | 11 | 8 | 19 | 30 |
| Wolverhampton | 37 | 9 | 10 | 18 | 28 |
| Burnley | 38 | 7 | 10 | 21 | 24 |
| Sheff. Utd. | 37 | 8 | 9 | 20 | 25 |



Fairsex fighters make debut at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, recently. Ann Roberts of Texas, seen landing a right to the head of Barb Napier, won a unanimous decision in the four round bout.

Women closing in on men's track, swimming records

LONDON. — Women athletes are steadily closing in on men's track and field records. They will soon break into the pole vault, hammer throw, steeplechase and 10,000-metre run, according to an Australian genetics specialist.

Dr. K.F. Dyer of the Department of Genetics at the University of Adelaide says the difference between men's and women's records is diminishing everywhere, but women are catching the men fastest in East Germany.

Dyer traced the progress of women athletes in an article in the Journal of Biosocial Science, published at Cambridge. He claimed women's improved performances result from social factors such as differing degrees of encouragement and differing levels of expectation.

Dyer made no attempt to analyze the social conditions that have made East Germany a leading power in sport. But he showed by statistics that East German women are making the fastest comparative advance on men's times both in track and field and in swimming.

Dyer took men's and women's national track records, in races from 100 metres to 3,000 metres and the

Malaysia wins Asia badminton title

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia. — Malaysia won the Asian Zone Thomas Cup Badminton final against Japan last night and qualified to play against New Zealand in the world round quarter-final in Bangkok on May 25 and 26.

Malaysia clinched the vital match to make it 5-3 when James Selvaraj and Moo Fut Lian beat the Japanese pair, Yoshitaka Kuno and Masao Tachikida, 15-5, 18-17, in the first doubles.

One more doubles match in the two-day test remained to be played, but even if Malaysia loses this she would have won enough of the nine matches to enter the world round in Bangkok. (AP)

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The ceremony of naming the Theodore G.G. Ganaimayr Building, originally scheduled for April 9, 1976, has been postponed.

CONFIDENT ISRAEL XI FACES KOREA

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel was last night (7.30 a.m. today Israel time) due to face South Korea in Seoul in the first of two Olympic soccer qualifying matches to decide the Asian Group 3 berth in the Montreal Games.

The Israelis were reported in confident mood after their comfortable 3-0 victory over Japan last Thursday, which eliminated the Japanese from the three-way competition.

South Korea were earlier held to a 2-2 draw by Japan, and the hosts now need to beat Israel to give themselves more than an outside chance of going through to the Olympics. For Israel, a draw would still put her in an advantageous position for the return games against Japan and South Korea next week.

Japan, beaten 2-0 by South Korea in the opening fixture in Seoul, has announced that she will definitely come here for the second leg match against Israel at Ramat Gan on April 11. The Japanese Football Association put out this statement following reports that the team might not take part in what is a "dead" contest for them.

The return game between Israel and South Korea is set for Ramat Gan on April 18.

Varese five wins European title

GENEVA. — Mobiligiri Varese of Italy trounced Real Madrid of Spain, 51-74, to win the men's European Basketball Champions' Cup here Thursday night for the second year running.

Play was brisk and marked by some spectacular dribbles and nets by the stars of both teams, which between them have captured the trophy nine times in the past 12 years.

Scoring was neck-and-neck with sparkling forward play by both sides and Mobiligiri led by only 43-42 at half-time. Varese's defensive combination had an edge over Real, who often failed to convert good across-the-court movements at the last moment, and also lost many points through fouls.

American players in both teams dominated the game, and at one point just before one interval Real had only one Spanish-born player on the court. The others were Americans Walter Szczerbiak and John Coughran, and naturalized Spaniards Wayne Brabender and Clifford Luyk. (Reuter)

U.S. Major League series to start on time Thursday

NEW YORK. — Despite a seemingly endless stream of labour and franchise complications, U.S. Major League baseball opens this week, on time — and perhaps just in time.

There were some people who didn't think the grand old game would make it through a hectic winter of courtroom and negotiating wars. But now one can forget the reserve rule and the renewal clause. Never mind the unsigned contracts and the free agents. Stick the tax lawyers and super-agents in a back room some place.

Mervin Miller, executive director of the Major League Players Association, and John Gaherin, chief labour negotiator for the owners, are still duelling over contract matters and clauses. But their debate, which delayed the start of spring training for 17 days, has moved underground. Centre stage now belongs to the regular season, which gets under way on Thursday with two games.

Cincinnati hosts the traditional National League opener with a sellout crowd of more than 52,000 on hand for the game against Houston.

The Milwaukee Brewers play at home in the American League opener against the New York Yankees.

In the day games, Boston's American League champions will probably send Luis Tiant against the Orioles' Jim Palmer at Baltimore, and the New York Mets will entertain only two lengths separated them at Montreal, and Kansas City will send

Rag Trade, 14-1, wins Grand National

AINTREE. — Rag Trade, carrying 14 to 1 odds, won the 131st Grand National Steeplechase here yesterday.

Red Rum, winner in 1973 and 1974, finished second with 28 to 1. Eyecatcher third. For the second year running, Red Rum, a 10 to 1 shot, narrowly missed becoming the first horse to win the National three times.

Rag Trade fought it out with Red Rum, 10-to-1, over the last 100 yards. As usual, the gruelling 4-mile, 656-yard Aintree course, with its 30 fearsome fences, took a dramatic toll of horses. Of the 32 jockeys who started, fewer than half were still in their saddles at the finish.

Rag Trade pulled ahead of Red Rum over the last few yards in one of the most exciting Grand Nationals of all time. The two horses jumped the last of the 30 fences level and the New York Mets will entertain only two lengths separated them at the finish line.

Rag Trade is owned by Paul Raymond, one of Britain's best known hair stylists who is known as "Mr. Teasy Weasy." He picked up a first prize of £37,420.

Raymond previously won the Grand National with Ayala in 1963. Fred Winter, trainer of Rag Trade, won his fourth Grand National. This time 23-year-old John Burke was in the saddle.

The collapsing pound, strikes and unemployment didn't stop Britons from galloping to the bookmakers for the annual horse racing classic. The bookies said up to £20m. were

laid upon the 32 horses. Two of the largest bookies, Ladbrokes and Joe Coral, with hundreds of betting shops all over the country, earlier said they would take nearly £4m. between them.

Much of the cash was staked yesterday morning by housewives who might bet on only two races a year, the Grand National and the Epsom Derby in June. Coral's opened two hours early to cope with the rush. The Grand National is said by racing men to be the world's third biggest betting race after the Epsom and Tokyo derbies. (AP)

Leaders keep positions in 'A' Leagues

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

Yesterday's matches in both the South and North sections of League "A" did little to change the position of teams in the standings.

South leaders Hapoel Hapoel, playing away, were held to a scoreless draw by Ashdod Betar, but neither of the two teams close on their heels managed to take advantage of the last point. Shaarayim Maccabi could do no better at home than tie against Ashdod Hapoel, 1-1, and the two, each with 30 points, are still two marks behind Hapoel Hapoel.

In the North, Acre Hapoel had a narrow away victory over their Kiryat Shmona clubmates, 2-1, to retain the top rung of the league ladder, but Ramat Gan Hapoel rose to second place by edging Kiryat Ata Hapoel with the lone tally of the match. Netanya Betar dropped to third place, one point behind, after a goalless tie with the local Maccabi eleven in Hadera.

RESULTS

League 'A' South

Jaffa Betar 0, Yahud Hapoel 0; Ramle Hapoel 2, Lod Hapoel 1; Bishan Legion Hapoel 1, Marjoni 0; Hapoel 0, Shaarayim Maccabi 1; Ashdod Hapoel 1; Ashdod Betar 0, Hapoel Hapoel 0; Hachikma Maccabi 0, Ness Ziona 1; Beit Shimon Hapoel 2, Beer Yessov Hapoel 0; Dimona Hapoel 2, Ramle Betar 1.

League 'A' North

Hadera Maccabi 0, Netanya Betar 0; Ramat Gan Hapoel 1, Kiryat Ata Hapoel 0; Nahariya Hapoel 0, Hachikma Maccabi 0; Nahariya Hapoel 1, Tiberias Hapoel 2; Herzliya Hapoel 2, Safad Hapoel 0; Kiryat Shmona Hapoel 1, Acre Hapoel 2; Mahane Yehuda Hapoel 1, Netanya Hapoel 0; Tel Hana Hapoel 1, Nazareth Hapoel 0.

STANDINGS

League 'A' South

| | P | W | D | L | G | Pts |
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| Hapoel Hapoel | 13 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 27:17 | 62 |
| Shaarayim Maccabi | 13 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 25:20 | 50 |
| Ashdod Hapoel | 10 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 37:28 | 80 |
| Yahud Hapoel (23) | 10 | 9 | 3 | 3 | 25:15 | 29 |
| Beit Shimon Hap. | 9 | 9 | 5 | 5 | 31:14 | 27 |
| Ramat Betar | 8 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 26:17 | 26 |

League 'A' North

| | P | W | D | L | G | Pts |
|--------------------|----|----|---|---|-------|-----|
| Acre Hapoel | 47 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 29:12 | 37 |
| Ramat Gan Hapoel | 13 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 25:20 | 32 |
| Netanya Betar (23) | 12 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 23:15 | 32 |
| Hadera Maccabi | 11 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 27:24 | 29 |
| Netanya Hapoel | 9 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 42:28 | 26 |
| Herzliya Maccabi | 8 | 10 | 6 | 3 | 28:17 | 26 |

Weightlifting record

EAST BERLIN. — Soviet weightlifter Alexander Voronin set a world flyweight snatch record here yesterday with a lift of 108.5 kg.

Voronin, competing on the first day of the European weightlifting championships, beat the old mark set by Tagueuchi of Japan last year by 0.5 kg. (Reuter)

Billie Jean King will return to Wimbledon

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U.S. gambit in Lebanon

THE CIVIL war in Lebanon has led to shifting alignments of the political forces at play there and in the Arab world as a whole so that it has become difficult, perhaps even for the participants, to obtain accurate readings of the situation.

Syria's intervention, which was intended to re-establish some form of stability in Lebanon, caused tension between it and its erstwhile allies, the PLO and the leftist political groups. Suddenly Damascus appeared to be supporting the Lebanese traditionalists, both Christian and Moslem, in an effort to put an end to the fighting and then to get on with the constitutional reforms that Syria had promoted.

With Damascus at odds with the radicals, Egypt, Iraq and Libya — each having their own reasons to clip Syria's wings — lined up in open support of the terrorists and the leftists. Egypt sought in this way to frustrate Syria's intent of grabbing the mantle of Arab leadership; Iraq was bent on embarrassing the rival Syrian Ba'athists; and Libya was plunging ahead with its extreme radical goals.

Embarrassed by its inability to control events in Lebanon, and with its prestige at stake, Syria was tempted to despatch a small military force, which, together with the PLO units under its control, could restore social order. Apparently France, some diplomats in the U.S. and King Hussein too, believed that such a step was necessary.

However, the spectre of a confrontation with Israel proved to be a deterrent, and the U.S. was not prepared to countenance such a risky step.

And thus it was that suddenly the U.S. began coordinating with Syria, creating another strange alignment. It is this coordination which led to the despatch to Lebanon of President Ford's special envoy Dean Brown, and then to the agreement to reach a cease-fire.

Thus, Syria is now being praised in Washington for its responsible policies, even as Lebanese Christians continue to flee the country for fear of what the future holds in store for their community.

If the past is a precedent, the cease-fire must, at best, be considered a very fragile and temporary affair. Much will depend upon the role which the U.S. intends to play. For the Christians, however, there now exists the danger that stability, if achieved, may well mark a serious eclipse of their power, and that they, as in the case of Iraq and the Kurds, may be the ones who will have to pay the price for a U.S. gambit to win over Syria.

IN THE EYES of many people it all started really quite respectably. Idealists — they said — in this age of gross materialism, egotism, corruption, drugs, aimlessness and what-not; we should be thankful for a group of youngsters, who as sincere patriots are willing to leave their comfortable homes and well-paid jobs and go to settle somewhere in the "wilderness" of Hebron or Samaria. And if in so doing, they violated a few laws, many of our law-and-order-respecting citizens were willing to close at least one eye.

It is to be hoped that those of them, for whom respect for law and the democratic process is more than a catch-phrase (with others there is no point in arguing) have at last become aware of the grave danger of fanaticism, appearing in the cloak of innocent idealism.

Any comparison of Jewish fanatics in Israel today with what we witnessed last week amongst Israeli Arabs would of course be mistaken. The political situation Israeli Arabs find themselves in, their real or imaginary grievances, Rakah incitement — are all different issues that need separate and much more thorough consideration. This article deals with one aspect only of the problem: the dynamics of fanaticism. For there can be little doubt that many of the rioting Israeli Arabs too, as well as many of those who incited them, acted out of a mistaken sense of idealism. But as we all know, idealism as such, without belief in the close connection between aims and means, has perpetrated some of the most heinous crimes in our times.

Part of the tragedy of the Israel-Arab conflict lies in the fact that far too often Jewish extremists find valuable assistance for their arguments in Arab extremism. This, however, should not blind us to our duty to cut our own house in order. For the frightening prospect exists that one day we will wake up to find that Jewish fanaticism too, has taken the almost inevitable step of violence. This would be all the worse because it would come from the representatives of the "conquerors." The writing on the wall is there for all of us to see.

Caution — fanatics

Extremism and fanaticism are probably the most serious internal dangers facing Israel today. ASHER MANIV says in this examination of the dynamics of Arab and Jewish fanaticism.

It is true (as reported and never officially denied) that at the height of the crisis, Kuryat Arba residents went down to Hebron to show those Arabs that 1928 will not happen again. "firing into the air, stomping about with clubs and chains, holding three hostages for several hours, forcing the Kadl of Hebron to remove a road-block with his own hands, and beating Mayor Ja'bari's son — if all this is true, then not only should the authorities have taken action against them, but it should have been made absolutely clear to all of us that there is a very sharp dividing line between idealism and fanaticism.

Indeed, it should have been made clear even before then, when a small group of irresponsible Herut leaders took it upon themselves to upset the laboriously built-up co-existence in united Jerusalem, by demonstration of prayer on Temple Mount (quite clearly more demonstration than prayer and even so a form of prayer strange to the Jewish heritage).

generally do so not only because they subscribe to this ideology or that, but because they are motivated by any means. Now, moderates do not, as a rule, tend to go and preach their doctrines in the streets, stage demonstrations, shout slogans — not to mention roughing up opponents or resorting to any other sort of violence. But that is exactly the thing that public opinion, in this age of the mass media, takes notice of. That is why a small group of extremists can cause ever greater and greater waves in public opinion, which will finally develop into a terrible storm.

Modest extremism, if not stopped from the outside, is self-perpetuating. In any contest between extremism and moderation, the former has a much simpler task. First of all, since the picture that extremists paint is always in stark colours and in simple terms, it is easy to distinguish between black and white but have difficulty in discerning the different tones of grey, the usual colour of life and politics.

Secondly, the extremist cannot compromise. People who are fighting a "holy war" do not, of course, compromise on the dogmas of their faith. People fighting for Right, Justice, the Good cannot possibly be tolerant of opposing opinions, for those represent the Evil.

hold extremist views in politics or foreign affairs are generally also the most intolerant with regard to the right of free expression of opinion in literature, in the theatre or in the news and opinion media.

In the light of recent happenings, it can be said without hesitation that extremism and fanaticism are probably the most serious internal dangers facing Israel today — danger, it seems, that public opinion and most political leaders are not nearly enough aware of. But, it may be argued, if extremists always or there is little chance of its raising its head.

The trouble is that in Israel extremism is not only legitimate, but for a long time was highly respectable, apparently because people tended to mix it up with idealism. We learned this most important aspect of democracy from the West (instead of trying to copy its outdated forms of elections), we would do more to secure our future than any number of "settlement demonstrations." But that is a kind of idealism so far removed from what goes on such nowadays that mar well-meaning citizens will probably not recognise it.

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VIEWPOINT

Go by bus, Gad!

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER

THE REAL STRENGTH of the Israel Armed Forces lies in the two words "Follow Me!" with which every commander, from corporal to general, leads his men. He goes first and he does not expect his men to do anything he would not do himself. It is an example that our civilian leaders might well follow.

Specifically, I would like to see our young and dynamic Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi, set an example for the much-suffering bus-travelling public by going by bus himself. Go by bus, Gad!

He may be in for some unpleasant surprises. Especially since, with the approval of his Ministry, the Lords of the Road, Egged, a month ago, curtailed their services in "non-peak hours" to save money on their "money-losing lines." He may discover what this curtailment of service means for us who go by bus: it means that we now suffer more than ever.

In fact, bus service appears to have been reduced throughout the day, with the result that the buses are more crowded than ever, queues (or the Israeli version of queues) are longer and wilder than ever, the trips last longer than ever and are more exhausting than ever. By the time you get to work in a bus, there is little energy left for work.

Absentmindedness, one of the country's major plagues, must surely be worse now, lateness more frequent, and tempers more frayed. Our buses have become a good place to make enemies in, or outside of, if you are pushed aside by more determined would-be passengers.

And what about those unfortunate — "only five or six" as the local Egged spokesman told me — who can no longer get a bus at all after 8.30 in the evening, from such places as Kiryat



(David Rubinger)

Tyvon or the Ben Dor suburb, where the later buses have been dropped as "money-losers"? I'm Mr. Ya'acobi's Transport Minister too? If he is, what message does he have for them, as they huddle in the cold waiting for a chance to get on?

If we have learned from Professor Marshall McLuhan "The Medium is the Message," the tidings brought to bus-riders by our Minister of Transport seem to be that "Getting There is the Job."

Particularly astounding is that the Minister sanctioned curtailed bus services as the price of petrol in a steady rise, so that those car owners who might have switched to buses, and thus saved precious foreign currency, will have less incentive for doing so. The push for more cars, for more roads, and thus for the expenditure of more foreign exchange will become irresistible.

That this is bad economics I need hardly teach the Minister. And all because Egged can not run its services without tremendous losses. If it didn't hurt so much we might be amused. Any objective observer would surely have assumed that if bus transportation is in utterly in-

competent hands, the Transport Ministry's policy would be to change the management, not to burden the passengers for its sins.

THIS LEADS ME to my concrete suggestion. Go by bus, Gad! The Minister and all Ministry employees who are responsible for the public transport services should be required to travel by bus at least three days a week. If it is argued that this will make them late for important meetings, get them there in an impossible nervous state, etc., etc., my answer is, "So what?" Is it any less important for workers to get to their jobs on time and in a reasonably relaxed frame of mind?

In fact, perhaps the country would be better off without a Transport Ministry altogether. If one thinks for a moment of all the trouble in Egged, and of the perpetual strikes in El Al, the merchant navy, and the ports, one may well reach that conclusion. To top it all, summer will soon be upon us. And our rides in those overcrowded buses may well turn more tortuous into an out-and-out fight for survival. So, Mr. Ya'acobi, if you can't beat Egged, join us!

READERS' LETTERS

THE DANGER FROM WITHIN

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — The Second Temple was destroyed — our Sages tell us — not because the Romans were the stronger (as they surely were), but because of causeless hatred, — the inter-fraternal warfare and the total collapse of the morale of the besieged. It was in line with the prophecy, "They that destroy you come from within you" (Is.49:17). So it is, alas, today. The gravest dangers for Israel come not from the Arabs and their "non-aligned" confederates, but from our own ranks.

We are a democracy gone haywire, and in the process we are all but disintegrating.

Sweden, a democracy par excellence, which has enjoyed years of peace, has banned strikes in public utilities, but in super-democratic Israel, which is in a state of war, one man can close a vital port, a handful of workers can, and often do, bring the country to a standstill and sabotage its war effort.

In the field of security and public morale we have reached the absurd, giving free rein to every disruptive

element capable of undermining public morale, and even allowing open incitement.

Let us remember the behaviour, Great Britain, that most democratic country. When war with Nazi Germany was declared, all German (Jewish) refugees, though the most loyal anti-Nazi elements, were rounded up, interned and shipped off to Isle of Man, Canada and Australasia. Pro-Nazi organisations were banned. Anyone suspected of sympathy with the Nazis was put behind bars. The B.B.C. was not used to relay every speech and vile threat made by the enemy, nor did it transmit any discordant note, lest hurt public morale. There was coalition government and no opposition to foster up discontent. Severe austerity measures and mobilisation of labour were willingly accepted. All this before a shot was fired.

Let us use some common sense and eradicate every sabotaging factor to give first priority to public morale. After all, we are in a state of war. BARRY MINDEL
Jerusalem.

MAINTAINING ORDER

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — I am shocked by the actions of our Government in recent weeks, culminating in the exile of two Arab agitators before their appeal was even heard.

This and the sight of Israeli soldiers beating Arab teenagers is especially bitter for those of us who fought America's policies in Vietnam and had friends who went into exile rather than serve those policies. As I watch Jewish Red Berets maintaining order in the Old City, all I can think is: "Now we are the British. Now we are the Americans." And I feel more important than I ever felt marching before the Pentagon.

CAEOL CLAPSADDLE
Jerusalem.

ENTERTAINMENT IN HAIFA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — In his recent review of Haifa restaurant, Haim Shapira expressed a wish to know about your inexpensive restaurants in Haifa.

While I am sorry the restaurant reviewed was not entirely satisfactory, I can assure him and your readers that Haifa has scores of clean, pleasant eating places with tasty food and low prices.

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